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In the application of:

Pia M. CHALLITA-EID, *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/005,480

Filing Date: 7 November 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID AND CORRESPONDING
PROTEIN ENTITLED 161P2F10B
USEFUL IN TREATMENT AND
DETECTION OF CANCER

Examiner: To be Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1614

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced case, please amend the specification
as follows:

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AMENDMENT**In the Specification:**

On page 1 of the specification, under the title, please add the following:

--"Cross-Reference to Related Application"

This application was filed 7 November 2001 and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to provisional application 60/282,739 filed 15 April 2001 and pending at the time the present application was filed.--

REMARKS

This application is amended simply to claim priority from a provisional application which discloses aspects of the claimed invention. A petition to accept a tardy claim of benefit is enclosed, along with the required fee.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket No. 511582006200.

Respectfully submitted,

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